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Re: Joint Application of Sprint Communications Company L.P. and Sprint Long Distance, Incorporated for the Transfer of Customer Base from Sprint Communication Company to Sprint Long Distance
Docket No. 2006-56-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) has reviewed the above-referenced Application including the supporting testimony and finds no reason to oppose the Commission's approval of the Application jointly filed by Sprint Communication Company, LP and Sprint Long Distance, Incorporated. The Application states that the customers will continue to receive services under the same rates, terms, and conditions.

ORS has been informed that the customers have been notified of the transfer and will be given an opportunity to change to other carriers. Also, ORS has been assured that the companies will continue to support the universal availability of telecommunications service in South Carolina at current levels.

If the Commission approves the transfer of customer base requested in the Application, ORS recommends that the Commission require that Sprint Long Distance, Inc. amend its tariff to incorporate the same rates, terms and conditions the customers currently receive from Sprint Communications Company L.P.

Sincerely,

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